

**REMARKS**

Claim 1, 3-9 and 11-19 are presently pending in the application. Claims 1, 8 and 14 are in independent form. Claim 2 has been cancelled by this amendment. Claims 14-19 are allowable.

Claims 1 and 2 were rejected under §102 over Peube. Claim 1 has been amended to include the elements of claim 2 and additionally recites that the electrical actuator is configured to actuate the valve between multiple positions in response to a desired power displacement signal. The claimed arrangement is not disclosed in Peube. Allowed claim 14 includes this feature. Accordingly, claim 1 and dependent claims 3-7, 12 and 13 are allowable.

Claim 8 has been amended to independent form. Claim 8 requires that the actuator mounting pipe support a first bearing. Yashiro does not disclose this arrangement, as the Examiner argues. The Examiner argues that the mounting pipe is provided by element 8. Element 8 is a baffle plate. By definition a plate is not a pipe. A pipe is a tubular structure. Claim 8 is allowable for at least this reason.

If any fees or extensions of time are required, please charge to Deposit Account No. 50-1482 in the name of Carlson, Gaskey & Olds.

Respectfully Submitted,

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